

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS20903

This is one of a series of bills that the Supreme Court has recommended in its annual report to the Governor concerning defects or omissions in the laws, as required under article V, section 25 of the Idaho Constitution. This bill amends the statute setting license fees for Idaho attorneys to reflect amendments to the Idaho Bar Commission Rules. These amendments were approved by a vote of Idaho lawyers in November, 2011, and have been approved by the Idaho Supreme Court. There would be two changes to the statute. First, affiliate membership would be renamed inactive membership. Second, a new category of senior membership has been created. These are members of the Bar who are aged seventy-two (72) or older who are not engaged in the practice of law and have requested a transfer to senior status. They would pay an annual fee of seventy dollars (\$70.00).

FISCAL NOTE

There would be no impact on the general fund. The Idaho State Bar is self-funded and receives no tax dollars.

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